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Lind's Expulsion May Not Mean War

MAYOR SIFTS OUT AUTHORITY OF 'MANY LIES'

THREE COUNCILMEN HEATEDLY DENY CHARGES MADE BY GEORGE CRANE.

DAVIS METHODS CHIDED

Criticizes Councilman Who Would Not Bring Any Assumption He Had Into the Council and Demand an Investigation Rather Than Permit Libelous Lies to Be Circulated.

Responsibility for statements branded as false and libelous, was sifted out last night in a heated denial by Mayor M. K. Hall of reports that have been circulated by friends of the recall started some few weeks ago. Not only did the mayor deny from the floor of the council chamber last night all the allegations alleged to have been set out in the petition for recall but he aimed at four individuals of the council a point blank request for a denial or confirmation of the report which George Crane is said by several parties to have circulated while being paid by Councilmen Davis, Fitzgerald, Haisten and Wright. The by play to the session came at the conclusion of a meeting of the council that lasted over the midnight hour. Mayor Hall, from the floor, recalled the incidents relative to the recall.

"I have a story to relate to the council," began the executive. "I have been told by as high as two score men that they heard George Crane repeat he was being paid by four councilmen to circulate a petition for executive recall advancing grounds for such action that besmirched the integrity and honesty and honor of myself. I want to know if that is true?"

Councilman Fitzgerald was the first to enter a denial.

"I have absolutely nothing to do with the payment of this man or any other man for such purposes. It was presented to me for signature without argument and I signed it. I am not helping meet his wages," concluded Mr. Fitzgerald.

Councilman Haisten denied the charge: "I too have absolutely nothing to do with the man's wages. It was presented to me by Mr. Hutch and I signed it."

"I signed it but have done nothing with the starting of it, or paying for the circulation," came from Mr. Wright.

Can't Remember the Charge.

"I caused the petition to be drawn by an attorney," said Mr. Davis. "I did not instruct the circulator to say anything against the character of the mayor. In fact I left the wording of the recall to an attorney and then I signed it." Davis did not deny, however, that he knew where the man's wages were coming from, and repeatedly said he could not now recall just what the specific charges against Mr. Hall were. The recall must always give cause.

"I am charged with liberating a certain man and woman from jail. I am charged with removing from office Tom Driscoll because he made a certain arrest. I deny this and brand them as lies," continued Mayor Hall

Col. Cody, Famous Aviator, Crushed Under His Aircraft



Col. Cody and his strange uniform, and his machine which killed him today.

Aldershot, Eng., Aug. 7.—Colonel S. F. Cody and a passenger by the name of Evans were killed here today when Cody's monoplane turned turtle. Both the men were buried under the wrecked machine. The monoplane dropped 200 feet and was so badly smashed that it was impossible to ascertain the cause of the accident.

Cody was born in America and was a naturalized Englishman.

Col. F. S. Cody, the famous Anglo-American aviator had completed work recently in England on a new type of hydro-aeroplane in which he recently asserted he would attempt to fly across the ocean from London to New York. Col. Cody has had extensive experience in flying over large bodies of water, and was thoroughly familiar with flying in high altitudes. The photograph shows Col. Cody in his somewhat remarkable aviation costume, in one of his hydro-aeroplanes. The Colonel adopted his costume with a special view to sudden immersion in

water. In addition to carrying pontoons on his flying machine, he wore a lifebelt, guaranteed to keep him up in the water for days. Attached to his costume was also a small store house of food and water, protected in rubber bags and easily reached. Should by any chance, the aviator land in the ocean, he would be able to sustain himself for days. Inasmuch as he planned to follow the trans-Atlantic steamer route in his flight, should he be forced to descend or even should he fall and be compelled to rely upon his life belt, it would be a practical certainty that he would be picked up by some passing steamer within a day or so. Col. Cody estimated that he would make an average speed of 90 miles an hour and complete his journey within twenty hours.

"The only danger is, said the Colonel 'that in a mist or fog, I might lose the convoy. Then if anything happened I should be up against it.'

Walla Walla Host to Heads of Uncle Sam's Army

"This council has in it men or a man who seems to believe my record has been corrupt, and instead of bringing such charges before the council and giving them thorough investigation and then causing my removal, if true, a recall petition is drawn up and sent out with a man, who has to my knowledge, told at least 50 men certain deliberate lies about me, and who to these men has said that four councilmen are paying him for the circulation of the recall and recitation of these lies. I deny I have been corrupt and deny the allegations in the recall petition.

"I demand a substantiation of these charges or a retraction.

"The chief of the fire department was heard to say that Tom Driscoll should not only have made the arrest that he did, but get 'Old Man Hall Too.'

"The man who circulated the peti-

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GARRISON ON WAY TO BOISE

TO PASS THROUGH LA GRANDE THIS EVENING.

Will Not Say If Walla Walla is to Again Have Fort.

Walla Walla, Aug. 7.—Secretary of War Garrison, Major General Wood and their party arrived here this morning. They inspected the fort grounds by would not indicate as to whether or not the post was to be re-garrisoned. At noon the party was the guest of the Commercial club at luncheon. The party leaves at 3:00 o'clock for Boise and from there will go back to Spokane.

MEDIATOR IS UNWELCOME IN MEXICO CITY

SERIOUS TURN OF AFFAIRS DEVELOPES IN MEXICAN SITUATION TODAY.

ARMS UNNEEDED EVEN YET

Bryan and President Wilson Do Not Deem Present Situation Justifiable or Sufficiently Great in Importance to Warrant Terms—Insults May Be Heaped Upon Emisarry From President Wilson.

(By John Nevin, United Press Correspondent.)

Washington, Aug. 7.—Even if President Huerta of Mexico insists that John Lind the president's emissary is persona non grata and refuses to consider his suggestions, this will not in itself mean armed intervention in Mexico. This was made plain by administration officials today. If that however, should be developed as Huerta's position it is probable that an embargo against Mexican insurgents importing arms from the United States will immediately be raised. The majority of the senate favors such an action. Huerta's official declaration that he will not receive Lind unless the United States recognizes him as president, is not taken seriously by President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan. The most serious dangers of the situation are the personal insults and violence which may be offered Lind. If this proves so the sternest measures will immediately follow.

Increased antagonism has been aroused among Mexicans toward President Wilson's plan for the pacification of the republic by the latest news from Washington that the object of John Lind's visit as the personal representative of President Wilson is to consult with prominent Mexicans and advise them that the only basis on which Mexico will be recognized by the United States is the elimination of President Huerta.

French Mexicans Protest.

Paris, Aug. 7.—Hot protest against the mission of Lind to Mexico as a peacemaker and a protest against what is termed as interference was made today in a statement issued at Paris by Junta Mexican constitutionalists which read: "We learn that John Lind has been sent to Mexico as mediator, practically representing the president of the United States. He, constitutionalists here while appreciating the correct attitude of the president, energetically protest against this pretended mediation of America. They wired no foreign intrusion is needed."

Lind On His Way.

Galveston, Aug. 7.—Lind sailed at 10 this morning on board the New Hampshire accompanied by his wife stating that he was acting entirely for the president and would communicate only with him. He said he did

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Saw City In Early Stages

FEW ADOBE HUTS HERE WHEN MRS. DE HAVEN ARRIVED.

WAS A GIRL THEN

Starbuck Lady Visits Town She Saw Years Ago.

Mrs. Mahala De Haven of Walla Walla and Mrs. J. F. Quinn of Starbuck, Wash., are guests of Mrs. L. M. Quinland. Mrs. DeHaven crossed the plains coming from Putman county Missouri at the age of sixteen with her parents, over the old Oregon trail, with an ox team. They passed through La Grande forty-eight years ago and this is the first time she has been here since. There were a few adobe houses here at that time. Her father, Paten Cooper, settled in the Walla Walla valley in 1865. Mrs. DeHaven, her daughter Mrs. Quinn, granddaughter, Mrs. Quinland, and two great-grandchildren visited the Meeker market July 24, 1913, to get a souvenir from the old trail.

BACK-DATING BONDS URGED

VAST EXPENSE TO GENERAL FUND RELIEVED.

Council Issues Non-interest Bearing Warrant on Big Project.

Plugs were last night driven into bungeholes of the city coffers that will, it is believed stop drains from the general fund that have amounted to many thousands of dollars in the past few years. The first test of the new plan came at the regular meeting of the council last night when monthly estimate payments of Fourth street were issued with interest on the warrants decapitated. This same plan has been practiced on small contracts lately by this administration, but last night the council decreed the same medicine for a contract which a previous council had entered into, but the real relief of the scheme is to date back bonds when they are sold to make the improvement district pay the interest. Thousands of dollars have been paid out in the past year or two to cover the interest on monthly and final estimates and on streets in litigation from the time they were issued until the bonds were floated and liquidated. Of late the plan on small projects has been to refuse payment of interest on warrants thus issued and last night in a discussion of the situation on Fourth street between Attorney Moffatt for the paving company and the council on the other hand, it was proposed to hereafter to date back the bonds to the date of the final estimate even though weeks elapse before the actual cash is at hand. In that way the decrepit, spineless, moneyless, financially foundered general fund will be relieved of big drains. The legality of "back dating" bonds will be taken up by the city attorney and as it is practiced elsewhere it is believed La Grande will be practicing the

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10 BACHELORS GIVEN PLACES ON DIGGS JURY

LAST MAN NAMED THIS AFTERNOON AND CASE PROCEEDS TO ISSUE.

TWO JURORS ARE MARRIED

Jurors Not to Be Locked Up During Progress of the Trial But Are Impressed with the Seriousness of the Case—State Uses All Its Peremptories Before List Is Full.

San Francisco, Aug. 7.—The Maury Diggs jury completed, consists of ten bachelors and two married men notwithstanding that the prosecution has fought against bachelors from the beginning. Judge Van Fleet after impressing them with the importance of the case in hand, announced that he was not going to lock them up. The trial resumes this afternoon.

The completion of the jury which will try the Diggs case was nearly ready at 11 o'clock. Delays cropped out yesterday when it seemed certain a jury was ready. At noon the prosecution had one peremptory challenge left and the defense had two. The court granted a brief recess to give the attorneys for the prosecution time to confer upon the exercise of their last peremptory challenge.

JOINT PROJECT PLANNED.

City and Palmer Company to Lay Emergency Pipe Immediately.

Steps were taken last night by the city council to immediately construct the joint water project for some time discussed as an emergency protection for the city and for the Palmer mills in case of fire. It calls for the laying of about 2000 feet of eight-inch pipe to the Palmer mills, half of the cost of which is borne by the city and half by the Palmer people. The cost will be about \$1200 all told. This agreement calls for a joint bargain by which the city water supply will be used at the mill to fight fires when the company's own plant might be incapacitated by fire in the pump house and on the other hand, should the Beaver creek project fail for any cause, fire protection will be given La Grande through the Palmer pumps. The old city pumping plant will be disposed of.

State Printer Appointed.

Salem, Aug. 7.—R. A. Harris, former state printing expert, has been appointed by Governor West to succeed State Printer Willis Duniway.

Garrison to Pass La Grande.
Secretary of War Garrison,
Major General Wood and mem-
bers of the staff will pass on
their way to Boise through La
Grande tonight on Number
18 according to the infor-
mation received here. It is pos-
sible that they will return by
way of La Grande on Saturday
morning.
